

**CITY OF RHINELANDER  
PARKS, BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
October 26, 2010 – 4:00 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sherrie Belliveau, Tom Gleason, Joe Salzer, and Tom Kelly and Alex Young

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Gunder Paulson, Police Chief Mike Steffes, and Tina Werres

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Belliveau called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. The media was notified, the agenda was posted, and a quorum was present to do business.

APPROVAL OF PAST MEETING MINUTES

KELLY/GLEASON, MOTION TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 28, 2010 MINUTES. ALL AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITY REPORT

- See Attached Sheet

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

DISCUSS LONG TERM DEVELOPMENT FOR BOYCE DRIVE SEWER PLANT SITE TO BE REDEVELOPED INTO A PUBLIC FISHING PARK

Mayor Johns reported that the engineer was finding some pollution problems on Boyce Drive but that it shouldn't affect the proposed park. Sherrie Belliveau asked if he could find out more for the next meeting.

DISCUSS/APPROVE PIONEER PARK INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADES (BORROWING ISSUE)

Sherrie Belliveau asked Gunder Paulsen if he had gotten a quote for the upgrades. Gunder noted that there was an itemized list, and he knew that \$25,000 was for the water. Sherrie noted that the rest was for a connector.

Alex Young felt that they should see what was going to happen with the basketball court that the Kiwanis Club wanted to put in.

DISCUSS POLICE DEPT. LOCKING OF PARK RESTROOMS

Chief Mike Steffes reported that he had spoken with his officers concerning locking the bathroom doors in the parks, and no one had an issue with it. He explained that it would not take priority over calls that come in. They will attempt to get to them the majority of the time. Mayor Johns felt that the presence of squad cars in the parks makes a big difference.

#### DISCUSS HEADWATERS CONTRACT FOR PARKS BATHROOM CLEANING

Sherrie explained that Gunder had said that contracting with Headwaters was not cost effective. Gunder noted that they could use a part time seasonal person who could also help with cemetery and would work 16 – 20 hours a week.

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### DISCUSS SKATEBOARD PARK

Gunder reported that he had gotten a letter from the City's insurance company, CVMIC, and they asked him to check out Antigo's skate park. They have had it since 2003 and have 40,000 into it. It is constructed of concrete pad and the pieces are out of Skate Lite, which they have had to replace. Gunder felt it was not very good material. He thought something similar with all metal going up would be good. CVMIC would like a company to construct this, not individuals or groups.

Alex Young stopped at Bikes N Boards to gather information on this. He felt it would be nice to put the skate park by the BMX track at West Park. Sherrie noted that they had brought this up years ago. Alex felt that Al Jozwiak may know some people interested in doing this. He noted that grants are available, but a design is needed first.

Chief Steffes added that the City of Monona just put in a skate park, and they are a CVMIC city. He suggested contacting the head of their Parks department to get the drawings for it.

Gunder mentioned that Leadership Oneida County was looking for a project to work on. Sherrie asked Alex Young if he could head this up. She noted that they should check with Bill Bell on this project. She asked Gunder to bring in the letter he received from CVMIC.

#### MATTERS OF EMERGENCY/INFORMATIONAL NATURE

Gunder reported that he had some quotes for audio equipment for Council Chambers and the new meeting room. They will be bringing this to Finance Committee. Audio Architects quoted between \$20,000 and \$50,000, and Sounds & Motion quoted \$8,200.

Gunder explained that the parks signs are getting bad, but they don't have anyone to make signs. Alex Young noted that there is WIFI at Pioneer Park, but they should put up signs to make people aware of this. He thought they could make vinyl and stick it on blank metal. Tom Kelly noted that the DOT may have some old signs that could be used.

#### CONSIDERATION OF BILLS & CLAIMS

The bills and claims were approved with the exceptions as discussed.

GLEASON/YOUNG, MOTION TO APPROVE THE CLAIMS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9164.94. ALL AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

FUTURE AGENDA REQUESTS AND MEETING DATE

Discuss long term development for Boyce Drive sewer plant site to be redeveloped into a public fishing park

Discuss/approve Pioneer Park electrical infrastructure upgrades (borrowing issue)

Discuss/approve Headwaters contract

Discuss Skate Board Park grants

The next regular meeting will be held on November 29, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. at City Hall

ADJOURNMENT

**KELLY/YOUNG, MOTION TO ADJOURN THE OCTOBER 26, 2010 PARKS, BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE MEETING AT 4:45 P.M. ALL AYE; MOTION CARRIED.**

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